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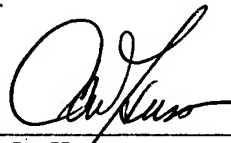
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir/Madam:

Applicant responds to the outstanding Office action mailed on March 7, 2005 as follows:

**Replacement Abstract** is reflected on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.